

Certificate in Global Health Information Sheet

The Certificate

The Certificate in Global Health is awarded in recognition of a student's interest and preparation for continued involvement and potentially a career in global health. The certificate will highlight the student's global health focus and ability to work across disciplines. The requirements for the Certificate differ by discipline, but emphasize discipline-specific and interdisciplinary coursework and/or projects that reinforce skills and promote a broad understanding of global health issues. A Certificate entails the completion of the course INTH 301/401: Fundamentals of Global Health, a minimum of 2-3 additional courses that relate directly to international or health issues, a project related to global health and successful completion of a major or discipline. Students may also substitute course work for a project with permission of Framework faculty.

The Framework for Global Health Curricula

The Certificate is the centerpiece of the Framework for Global Health Curricula. This is a group of professors across the Case Western Reserve University campus, whose objective is to promote education in global health issues. Nearly every department at CWRU offers multiple educational activities in global health. Rather than attempt to own all of these activities, the group at CWRU (representing Anthropology, Bioethics, Biology, Biostatistics/Epidemiology, Mathematics, Medicine, Nursing, Engineering, MSASS) elected to develop a structure within which each department could develop independently while taking advantage of what the others had to offer. The organizing structure for this became the certificate program rather than a separate degree. This approach recognizes that students need to graduate within a recognized discipline as well as recognition of a student's focus, time and effort in training. Each student in the Certificate program will be grounded in global health by a core course (INTH 301/401) that will allow them to understand concepts and vocabulary across disciplines and that will facilitate meaningful communication with others based in a different discipline.

JUNIOR LEVEL STANDING IS REQUIRED for INTH 301 and strongly recommended for NURS 394

Nursing

Undergraduate:

- 1) INTH 301: Fundamental Concepts in Global Health (spring course)
- 2) NURS 372: Health in the global community
- 3) NURS 394: Global Health Seminar (online course in spring)
- 4) Complete a global health related project (may be part of the capstone project or may be substituted with other course or project work)

Questions?

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